

the public free schools, and all laws and parts of laws in conflict with said act, and find the same correctly engrossed.

FRANK, chairman.

On motion of Senator Macmanus
The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock
to morrow morning.

SIXTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, }
Austin, May 4, 1888. }

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Woods, president pro tem. in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the chaplain, Dr. R. K. Smoot.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday,

On motion of Senator Calhoun,

The further reading of the same was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Lane,

Senator Knittle was excused till Monday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Burges,

Senator Pope was excused till Monday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Armistead,

Senator Jarvis was excused till Monday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Macmanus,

Senator Davis was excused indefinitely on account of sickness in family.

On motion of Senator Glasscock,

Senator Burney was excused indefinitely on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Claiborne,

Senator Simkins was excused till Monday on account of important business.

SENATOR BURGESS

Moved to excuse Senator Glasscock till Monday on account of important business

A vote being taken and a quorum not voting,

SENATOR TERRELL

Moved a call of the Senate.

Seconded.

The roll was called and Senators Stinson and Woodward were found to be absent without excuse.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was dispatched to bring in the absent senators.

SENATOR BURGESS

By leave, withdrew the motion to excuse Senator Glasscock.

Senator Woodward was announced at the door, and a quorum being present, the call, on motion of Senator Terrell, was suspended.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

BY SENATOR GLASSCOCK.

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }

Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate.

Sir—Your committee on education, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 30, entitled

An act to amend section 43a, chapter 132, of an act passed at the regular session of the Twentieth Legislature, approved April 2, 1887, have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted

GLASSCOCK, chairman.

Read first time.

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }

Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:

Sir—Your committee on Education to whom was referred Senate Bill No. 37, entitled

An act to provide for the voluntary adoption of a uniform system of text books for the public schools of the State of Texas, and to provide a manner of acquiring and holding same books by each school community, district, town or city in said schools, and to provide a manner of adopting or acquiring a state series of text books and to provide for the publishing of the same and for other purposes, have had the same under consideration, and instruct me to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GLASSCOCK, chairman.

Bill read first time.

BY SENATOR FRANK:

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }
Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the
Senate:

Sir—Your committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 15, being

An act to amend chapter 4, title 95 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas by adding thereto article 4761a, and find the same correctly engrossed.

FRANK, chairman.

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }
Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the
Senate:

Sir—Your committee on engrossed bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 29, being

An act to confer the right of injunction upon the State to prevent breach of the revenue and penal laws, and find the same correctly engrossed.

FRANK, chairman.

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }
Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the
Senate:

Sir—Your committee on engrossed bills have carefully examined and compared substitute Senate bill No. 5, being

An act to construct additional buildings at the State Lunatic Asylum at Austin, for improvements and repairs, for the purchase of literature, and pay of additional attendants, and to make an appropriation therefor, and find the same correctly engrossed.

FRANK, chairman.

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }
Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the
Senate:

Sir—Your committee on Engrossed bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 24, being

An act to amend title 95 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas by amending article 4748, as amended by the acts of the regular session of the Twentieth Legislature, A. D., 1887, on page 127, so as to provide for a more thorough and efficient means for the collection of taxes, and find the same correctly engrossed.

FRANK, chairman.

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 3, 1888. }
Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the
Senate.

Sir—Your committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared substitute Senate bill No. 21, being

An act making an appropriation for additional buildings, improvements, equipments and water supply at the Agricultural and Mechanical college, and find the same correctly engrossed.

FRANK, chairman.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

BY SENATOR TERRELL:

Committee Room, }
Austin, May 4, 1888. }
Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the
Senate, and Honorable George C. Pendleton, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Your joint committee heretofore appointed for the purpose of investigating the cost of furnishing the New Capitol building and grading and fencing the Capitol Grounds, have carefully completed their labors and beg leave to report as follows:

That for the purpose of furnishing and lighting said capitol building the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (150,000) will be required, and that the further sum of fifty thousand dollars (50,000) will be required to grade and fence the grounds.

In reaching said estimate your committee has allowed for the executive department the sum of.....	\$ 5,500
For the office of Secretary of State the sum of.....	11,000
For the Comptroller's Department the sum of.....	25,000
For the Treasury Department the sum of.....	4,000
For the Attorney-General's department the sum of.....	4,000
For the Adjutant General's department the sum of.....	1,500
For the department of education the sum of.....	6,750
For the health department the sum of.....	1,000
For the geological department the sum of.....	1,000
For the department of agriculture, insurance, statistics and history, the sum of.....	5,000
For the police and electricians' department the sum of \$500 each, or.....	1,000

For the Supreme and Appellate Courts and the Commission of Appeals, and library fixtures, the sum of 15,750
 For Senate chamber, Senate committee and reception rooms, the sum of 15,000
 For the House of Representatives and committee and reception rooms the sum of... 25,000
 For lighting, by either gas or electricity, the sum of 15,000
 To this amount we add the sum of \$13,500 to cover unforeseen demands, making a total for furnishing said building of 150,000

Many of these estimates have been furnished to us by the heads of the various departments, and others are based upon our own calculations and the opinion of experts.

We submit the same believing that the sum therein stated will be sufficient to furnish said capitol building with furniture, both elegant and substantial.

Respectfully submitted,

TERRELL.
 GARRISON.
 GLASSCOCK.
 DOUGLASS.

Committee on part of Senate.

SMITH.
 STRONG.
 GROCE.
 HUNT.

HUMPHREYS

Committee on part of House.

On motion of Senator Lane,

The regular order of business was suspended and bills on third reading and final passage were taken up as follows:

Senate bill No. 19.

A bill to be entitled an act to amend section 26, of an act entitled:

An act to establish and maintain a system of public free schools for the State of Texas, and to repeal so much of chapter three of title 78, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, as refer to public free schools outside of incorporated cities and towns, assuming or having assumed control of their public free schools, and all laws and parts of laws in conflict with said act, was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed.

Substitute Senate bill No. 5.

A bill to be entitled an act to construct additional buildings at the State Lunatic Asylum at Austin, for improvements and repairs, for the purchase of literature and pay of ad-

ditional attendants, and to make an appropriation therefor, was laid before the Senate and read third time, and

On motion of Senator Bell,

The bill was laid on the table, subject to call.

Senate bill No. 15,

A bill to be entitled an act to amend chapter 4, title 95, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding thereto article 4761a, was laid before the Senate, read third time, and passed.

Substitute Senate bill No. 21,

A bill to be entitled an act making an appropriation for additional buildings, improvements, equipments, and for water supply at the Agricultural and Mechanical College, was laid before the Senate, and

On motion of Senator Armistead,

Was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate bill No. 24,

A bill to be entitled an act to amend title 95, of the Revised Civil Statutes, by amending article 4748 as amended by the acts of the regular session of the Twentieth Legislature, 1887, on page 127, so as to provide for a more thorough and efficient means for the collection of taxes, was laid before the Senate, and read third time, and

On motion of Senator Armistead,

Was laid on the table subject to call.

Senate bill No. 29, a bill to be entitled

An act to confer the right of injunction upon the state to prevent breach of the revenue and penal laws,

Was laid before the Senate, read third time and passed.

On motion of Senator Houston, the regular order of business was suspended and

Senate bill No. 44, a bill to be entitled

An act to better provide for the rendition of property for taxation,

Was taken up out of its regular order and read second time.

SENATOR ALLEN

Offered the following amendment:

In section 2, line 1, omit the following words, "upon the result of such inquiry and examination," and substitute the following in place thereof, "should the result of such inquiry and examination prove that any person, firm or corporation has not made a full, fair and complete rendition of property."

SENATOR ALLEN

Favored, and

SENATOR M'DONALD

Opposed the amendment.

It was lost.

SENATOR HOUSTON

Moved to strike out all of section 1 and substitute the following:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, that, whenever the Board of Equalization has reason to believe that a full, fair and complete rendition for taxation of property of any person, firm or corporation has not been made, such Board of Equalization shall institute inquiries to compel a proper rendition of such property for taxation. In the pursuit of such inquiries the Board of Equalization shall have authority to send for and examine persons and papers, to swear and qualify witnesses, to take depositions and punish for contempt of court as in case of courts of justice by fine and imprisonment.

SENATOR HOUSTON

explained the amendment and it was adopted.

SENATOR GARRISON

In the chair.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

Substitute Senate bill No. 1.

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the return of any portion of the available public free school fund remaining on hand with county, city or town treasurers at the close of each scholastic year to the State treasurer, was laid before the Senate, and

On motion of Senator Bell,

Was postponed, and made the second special order for Monday after morning call, and from day to day 'till disposed of.

The following invitation was laid before the Senate and read:

University of Texas, }
May 4, 1888. }

Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:

Sir—The Athenæum Society of the University of Texas respectfully invites the members of the Senate to attend a public debate at Millett's opera house this evening at 8:30 o'clock.

Respectfully,

J. H. HERNDON,
T. L. CAMP,
R. R. LOCKETT,
Invitation Committee.

On motion of Senator Frank,
The invitation was accepted.
On motion of Senator Armistead,
The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock Monday morning.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, }
Austin, May 7, 1888. }

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Senator Woods, president pro tem, in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. R. K. Smoot.

Pending the reading of the Journal, of the fifteenth day, on motion of Senator Stinson the further reading of the same was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Woodward, Senator Stinson was excused from last Thursday till to day on account of sickness.

On motion of Senator Armistead, Senator McDonald was excused until to-morrow.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senator Gregg was excused indefinitely on account of sickness.

On motion of Senator Terrell, Senator Simkins was excused for to-day.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

House of Representatives, }
Austin, May 4 1888. }

Honorable T. B. Wheeler, President of the Senate:

Sir—I am instructed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed Senate bill No. 7, an act to erect and furnish additions to the North Texas Insane Asylum, and to make an appropriation therefor, by a two-third vote, ayes 87, noes, 4, also Substitute House bills Nos 5, 6 and 11 entitled

An act to authorize the commissioner of insurance, statistics and history, to have a geological and mineralogical survey made of the State of Texas, and to make an appropriation therefor, ayes 45, noes 37.

WILL LAMBERT,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

THE PRESIDENT

Referred substitutes for House bills